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ONE THING has been conclusively proven in the economic conditions of the two dominant races in America, and that is that the destinies of the two races in this country must be worked out by these two races on common grounds. The interest of one can not be permanently advanced separate from the interest of the other.

RECIPROGATE.

DO YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING EARLY and don't fail to patronize those who seek your business through advertisements in the Star. Every ad in this issue of the Star is an invitation to you from these merchants who believe in patronizing our race enterprises. SPEND YOUR MONEY WITH THEM!

THE CHRISTMAS PHILANTHROPIST.

IT'S ALRIGHT for big hearted philanthropists to give Christmas dinners to the poor and fill empty stockings of destitute children on Christmas day, but it would be a thousand times better for them to provide work for the poor people the year round so they would not be objects of charity on Christmas. Christmas dinners, etc., will not take away the sting of poverty from our unfortunate homes during the long bleak winter to follow. Let us prolong the Christmas spirit so that it will be of benefit to humanity the whole year round. Then truly could we all feel and say, as Little Tim, in Dickens' Christmas Carol: "God bless us, every one."

THE NATION'S LOSS.

THE LITERARY DIGEST refers to the death of Dr. Washington as a distinct loss to both races, and the Evening Post (N. Y.) observes: "But in this hour of a great loss to both races it is to be hoped that Dr. Washington's death will recall to the nation's attention as did his life, that there are great talents to be found among the Negroes, as there are certain to be great Negro contributions to our literature, our science, our drama, our music, our art, if only we can bring ourselves to strike from the limbs of Lincoln's freedmen the shackles of ignorance, oppression, prejudice, and injustice with the race that vaunts itself superior still fetters him."

If the above sentiment can be made to take root in the heart of the American white, north and south, Dr. Washington's death will be made the crowning glory of a well spent life.

Official Call

Western Negro Press Association
to Meet in Kansas City,
During the Holidays

Officers and Members of the
Western Negro Press Association
Greeting:

By authority of the power vested in me as president of your association, I hereby request you to assemble in the 15th annual convention of the association on the 25th day of December, 1915, in the assembly room of the Kansas City Sun, in the Masonic Temple bldg., 1803 E. 13th St., Kansas City, Missouri, for the purpose of transacting business of the organization, and discussing and taking action upon important questions concerning the welfare and peace of our people. We expect a good attendance and much good to result from the meeting. All newspaper or magazine publishers, editors, agents and correspondents are invited to attend.

Further information concerning the W. N. P. A. and the meeting at Kansas City next month may be had by addressing
J. D. COOKE, Milwaukee, Wis. Sec.
or H. R. GRIFFIN, Kingston, Mo. Statistician, or NELSON C. CREWS, Editor, The Kansas City Sun, Kansas City, Mo.

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The "Traders' stores" have accomplished the "impossible" in the retail business of Tulsa, and are now doing on a large scale what less confident merchants have claimed could not be done, even on a small scale. They are the peers in the retail grocery business and they are, among competitors of local wholesale dealers, selling a great many things at retail cheaper than the wholesale prices. One of their strongest competitors, a wholesale and retail grocery, was recently forced into bankruptcy trying to meet the Traders' prices, and the Traders bought in the bankrupt stock at a profit of about \$11,000.00 which they shared with the people of Tulsa. The Traders' main store is now in the same building formerly occupied by their lamented competitor, and their trade, always the best, has more than doubled because they have more clerks and more room to serve the people who flock to their counters.

In the near future Traders will inaugurate the "Basket System" which means that the people will serve themselves and pay the cashier for what they get. Everything will be put up in packages, cans, etc., and the price marked on it. Customers will get all of everything they want with out waiting for clerks to wait on them. The system will be a new one in Tulsa. But no one doubts that Traders can do it if they say they will. The Christmas trade at the Traders will more than double the trade at any other place in Tulsa.

NOWATA, OKLA.

Large posters are out here announcing the Original Ball at Chetopa, Kansas, Dec. 27. Glasse & Smith, promoters.

The feast in the wilderness at the First Baptist church, two nights was quite a success. Rev. Harrison, pastor. Jno Reed, deacon.

Master Harold Pierce took dinner Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Wolf.

Bob De Loxier, formerly of Muskogee, has purchased the Askins & Riley Dispensing Co.

Rev. Johnson preached a noble sermon at the A. M. E. church Sunday morning.

A free Christmas Tree concert and dinner at Anderson Hall Dec. 23, by Mrs. Hanley for the poor children.

Miss Mattie Bifford and Mrs. Neal Stiner are also promoters of a Free Xmas Tree for the poor children New Year.

Sir Seth Neal, chief Grand Mentor K. F. T. of Okla., was here Tuesday. Mrs. Della Sullivan is on the sick list.

Miss Mattie Bifford is contemplating visiting relatives in Muskogee the first of the year.

Brother E. H. Dorton was ordained deacon of the First Baptist church.

The pool tournament which was held at Turk's parlors Saturday resulted in Geo. Peck beating Sylvester Foreman 25 points, but in the 2nd series Chas. McCall brought the bacon home.

Mr. Harry Brown and Miss Martha Sims were united in marriage and will leave in a few days for Memphis, Tenn. Mr. Brown of Nowata, Okla., and Miss Martha Sims of Chetopa, Kans. All wish them a long life and a happy one.

Mr. Cragg while out gathering his Christmas turkeys and chickens was caught in a dark night and was forced to stay over night on the road side. A. W. TURK.

COWETA, NOTES.

Neal Trotter and his estimable wife, of the Adams Creek settlement were visitors to the town this week. He reports cotton picking far advanced and a small yield.

We understand that Mr. John W. Simmons has decided not to open mercantile business in Bristow, this year, as the season is too far advanced. He will remain in Coweta, and work to enlarge his interests here.

A. L. Reed, formerly of this place, but now of Sapulpa, was here last Saturday, and sold his home here to Bart Pearson, a prosperous farmer west of Coweta.

Mrs. C. W. Joshua returned last week on an enjoyable and successful

trip in the western part of the state. She was in high spirits and much improved in health.

The Masonic Lodge of Coweta is making great preparations for the celebration of St. John's day, December 27th. The following program will be rendered:

Program, December 27, 1915, 7:30 p. m.:
Song—My Country 'Tis of Thee Invocation—Rev. H. N. Nelson Song—Nearer, My God to Thee Welcome Address, C. M. Nichols, W. M. Responded by Hon. Sharp, W. M., of Red Bird Lodge No. 152.
Solo—Miss Adel Pearson Paper, Friendship and Love
by Miss Julia Randle
Why Masons Celebrate St. John Evangelist Day by Hon. C. W. Joshua.

Solo—Miss Hester Moloney Benefit of Masonry to the Community, and Individual, by A. E. Beaty, M. D. G. M. D. of Haskell, Okla. Instrumental Solo, Mrs. Joseph Marsh The Boys Military Drill. By E. R. Randle.

The Girls' March, conducted by Mrs. A. Wilson.
C. M. Nichols was the Worshipful Master of the lodge, cordially invites everyone to be present.

W. C. Cherry has opened an up-to-date pool hall on the lower floor of Nicholas Hall, managed by Geo. Williams.

Mrs. Holmes, sister of Mrs. C. M. Nichols, is operating a first class cafe next door to Cherry's pool hall.

BARTLESVILLE NEWS.

They are conducting a revival at the C. M. E. church. Rev. Graves of Coffeyville, Kans. is assisting their pastor, Rev. C. W. Ware, and their meetings are progressing nicely.

Services at the A. M. E. church were well attended all day Sunday.

There will be a Christmas tree at the A. M. E. church Christmas eve.

The entertainment given by the Household of Ruth association last Thursday night at K. of P. hall was a success.

Bartlesville will soon have a household of Ruth lodge. Mr. S. S. Greene District grand organizer who has charge of the work of the Household of Ruth here is a live wire in Bartlesville, and is doing much for the advancement of the race he has the association in fine shape and it will be set up Thursday night, Dec. 16, by the state organizers, Mrs. E. D. Jefferson and Mrs. J. R. Blaine of Muskogee.

Ed Morris of Muskogee was in the city Monday.

Willie Price who arrived in the city Monday from New Orleans, La., was lured off by lured off by a Negro in Little Africa and beaten up and robbed Monday night of \$42.00 by them. The officers succeeded in capturing the holdup gang and they are now in jail.

McALESTER.

The store has been busy the past week and left at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Crumby on S. D at a 10 lb boy. At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis also in third ward, a 10 1/2 lb girl.

Mrs. E. W. Whitacre is quite ill at this writing also her daughter Pearl, and little grand son Master Melvin Hopkins.

Churches throughout the city are preparing for Christmas exercises.

There is to be a meeting of the General Conference Delegates at Ward's Chapel this city, December 15th.

SICK LIST.

Mrs. Ethel M. Boxley.
Mrs. Amie Nelson.
Mrs. Martha Boquet.
Misses Hazel Wharton, Veatrice Howell, Gladys McHenry, Mary Allison, Rissie Haskins, Hatlie Keeler.
Messrs. J. Wilson Pettus, L. T. Irvin, R. R. Reeves, Grady Gorniny.

VISITORS.

Mrs. Mary Rosa wife of Rev. J. T. Ross, pastor at Wybark, visited her friends in the city last week.

Miss Grace Stansberry Smith has gone to join her husband in Arizona. The missionary circle of Mt. Triumph met with Mrs. Nelson last week.

W. H. & P. Missionary Society of Ward's Chapel met with Mrs. Ethel Jackson Wednesday. Next week with Mrs. L. B. Mason.

Stewardess Board No. 2 of A. M. E. church was entertained by Sister S. Rabon, Monday.

Mrs. Wesley Lane is making some additions to his home on S. A. St.

Mrs. Frances Miller after spending several weeks with her sister in law, Mrs. Phyllis Pettus, has gone back to her labors in the Checotah school.

Mrs. P. A. Morris and family are

home again.

Miss Geneva Lane is able to be at her post of duty again.

NOTES FROM WAGONER.

Sunday was a high day in Zion at the First Baptist church. The occasion was the installation services of the new pastor Rev. J. C. Mitchell at 11 o'clock the Rev. Jno. F. Fields of Muskogee preached the introductory sermon giving us a great treat, who heard him. At 3:30 p. m. we listened to a most splendid gospel sermon by that noted and matchless orator, preacher, statesman and counselor Dr. S. S. Jones, D. D., pastor of the Antioch Baptist church, Muskogee, Okla., at 8 p. m. we were blessed to have with us Rev. Van Pelt the business man's evangelist. He gave us an instructive sermon on The Plan of Salvation. Collection for the day was \$35.00.

There is a deal of sickness in Wagoner at this time. Many children are kept out of school on account of colds, pneumonia, etc.

A great lecture was delivered at St. Paul Baptist church Monday night by Dr. Van Pelt, of Ft. Smith, Ark.

Mrs. Jennie Coleman departed this life about 4 p. m. Monday morning.

The Week's Installation service was somewhat hindered by the sudden illness of the Organist, Mr. J. R. Beagler. On last Monday night the Mt. Calvary choir rendered some excellent music to the delight of all.

BROKEN ARROW NEWS.

Rev. M. W. Montgomery, pastor of Spring Hill Baptist Church, was at his post on Sunday, and preached a soul stirring sermon, which was greatly enjoyed by all. Accompanied by his two little children he departed on the evening train for a holiday visit to his aged father, who resides in Arkansas.

Many of our people who never before read wholesome news are now enjoying the weekly visit of The Tulsa Star. Miss Nancy Kernell, teacher at Spring Hill, is making extensive preparations to entertain "Santa" when he makes his usual annual visit.

N. W. Trotter has taken a degree in real estate agency work, and is doing a profitable business, having already landed several big loans for "white folks." Wonder what is to become of Neal?

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Harrison of Mt. Carmel, enjoyed a pleasant visit from Mrs. Willie T. Smith of Muskogee on the 12th inst, which recalled "sweet memories of the past."

Happenings from all intermediate points in and around Broken Arrow will hereafter appear in the Star's columns.

LOUIS E. NERO.

The Poor People of Tulsa Will Be Remembered Christmas.

Everyone will have Christmas in Tulsa. Not a single family will be overlooked by the Gods of Yuletide. There will be no Color line on Christmas Day, so far as distributing the Christmas baskets are concerned. The churches, the lodges and other organizations are working hard to see that every poor family in the city gets a basket. The colored churches and lodges are in line and will speed the joyful tidings of Xmas over a wide territory.

We certainly appreciate the way our subscribers are renewing their subscriptions since we have been offering a special magazine club with The Star. If you haven't sent us your renewal, do it now and get four magazines for one year.

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